What is claimed is:

[Claim 1] A transistor comprising:

- a stack comprising:
- a silicon on insulator layer having a plurality of channels;
- a silicon oxide insulation layer adjacent the silicon on insulator layer; and
- a dielectric layer adjacent the silicon oxide insulation layer; and
- a gate electrode, wherein the gate electrode covers a portion of the stack; wherein at least one channel has a gate configuration that is different than the remaining channels.

[Claim 2] The transistor according to claim 1, wherein the at least one channel has a first thickness that is greater than the thickness of the remaining channels.

[Claim 3] The transistor according to claim 1, wherein the at least one channel has a different gate dielectric than the remaining channels.

[Claim 4] The transistor according to claim 3, wherein the gate dielectric of the at least one channel is a high-k dielectric, and the gate dielectric of the remaining channels is a material selected from the group comprising silicon dioxide, nitride oxide, and a silicon oxide that has undergone a plasma nitridation process.

[Claim 5] The transistor according to claim 1, wherein the stack further comprises

a protection layer located between the dielectric layer and the gate electrode.

[Claim 6] The transistor according to claim 5, wherein the protection layer is a metal.

[Claim 7] The transistor according to claim 5, wherein the protection layer is a thin polysilicon.

[Claim 8] The transistor according to claim 1, wherein the dielectric layer is a high-k dielectric material.

[Claim 9] The transistor according to claim 1, wherein the stack and the gate electrode are incorporated into a finFET device.

[Claim 10] A transistor comprising:

- a stack comprising:
- a silicon on insulator layer;
- a silicon oxide insulation layer on the silicon on insulator layer;
- a dielectric layer on the silicon oxide insulation layer, wherein the dielectric
- layer is a high-k dielectric material; and
- a protection layer on the dielectric layer; and
- a gate electrode covering a portion of the stack.

[Claim 11] The transistor according to claim 10, wherein the protection layer is a metal.

[Claim 12] The transistor according to claim 10, wherein the protection layer is a polysilicon.

[Claim 13] The transistor according to claim 10, wherein the stack and the gate electrode are incorporated into a finFET device.

[Claim 14] A method for providing a transistor comprising the steps of:

providing a silicon on insulator layer;

providing a silicon oxide insulation layer;

providing a dielectric layer;

removing at least a portion of the silicon oxide insulation layer and the dielectric layer to form a gate stack; and

forming a gate electrode, wherein the gate electrode covers a portion of the gate stack.

a protection layer on the dielectric layer.

[Claim 16] The method according to claim 15, wherein the protection layer is a metal.

[Claim 17] The method according to claim 15, wherein the protection layer is a polysilicon.

[Claim 18] The method according to claim 14, wherein the dielectric layer is a high-k dielectric material.

[Claim 19] The method according to claim 14, wherein the gate stack and the gate electrode are incorporated into a finFET device.

[Claim 20] The method according to claim 14, wherein the step of removing further comprises:

providing a resist layer on a portion of the dielectric layer; and

etching the silicon oxide insulation layer and the dielectric layer to remove at least a portion of the silicon oxide insulation layer and the dielectric layer.